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TWO CENTS

PENNSYLVANIA BOYS ARE IN THE MIDST OF THE FIGHTING

Heavy Toll Taken from Companies B and C Past Few Days

MANY ARE MISSING IN ACTION

Reports from the battle front in France indicate that the 110th Infantry regiment (the old "Fighting Tenth") was in the midst of the fray and suffered severe casualties. News has been coming through by mail the past few days, supplementing the official notices from the Adjutant General's Department at Washington, telling in greater detail how a number of the casualties happened.

Vernon Ford, of New Eagle, a member of Company A, was wounded the first day of the battle, early in the engagement and consequently did not get to see much of the fighting. He was wounded in two places by a shell and it is presumed the other boys wounded the same day, as well as those killed, were the victims of shells placed by the German artillery. Ford is in a base hospital far back of the lines and reports that he is getting along nicely, although it will be two or three weeks before he is able to leave the hospital.

Companies B. of New Brighton and C. of Somerset, appear to have been particularly hard hit. Each of these Companies lost quite a number of men who were reported as "Missing in action." It is possible that many of them were wounded and in the hospital, while others may be prisoners of war. The Captain and First Lieutenant of Company C were reported among the casualties. Whether these men were cut off by a barrage or were on their way into the trenches at the time of the casualties has not yet developed. Practically all of the other ten Companies in the Regiment have reported casualties, although they have not been very heavy according to reports of the past few days. This morning a telegram from the war department announced that James L. Phillips, of Monongahela had been severely wounded. No other casualty in the Company has been reported since last week.

The new excise tax which the government proposes to place upon so many things used in everyday life will make many people realize that General Sherman was right when he gave his vivid description of war.

The Kaiser says that "our hardest struggle is at hand," and judging by the manner in which the Twenty-eighth Division has gone after some of his crack troops. Bill seems to have the situation well doped out.

Some months before the war started the Kaiser said that America must be punished. Well, there is no time like the present for Kaiser Bill and the Clown Quince and others of the military clique to administer the dose.

SUNDAY OPENING DAY FOR BELLE VERNON BEACH

Sunday August 11 has been set as the formal opening day for the Belle Vernon bathing beach, which is located on the western side of the river at Speers. New floats, diving boards and electric lights have been installed. The place will be operated under the management of Harry Boyce.

ICE SUPPLY STILL SHORT

Plants Have Difficulty In Taking Care Of Their Customers

STOCKS ALMOST EXHAUSTED

The local ice situation remains very critical and unless there is some relief from an unexpected source, fear is expressed that a great deal of foodstuff may spoil. Local plants have been making every endeavor to take care of the local trade but this morning the outlook was somewhat dubious.

Manager T. P. Sloar of the Valley Crystal said their plant had "overrun" on Wednesday and would be somewhat slow on production today but said they would be able to take care of their regular customers. Outside of that, however, he could make no promises.

George W. Moody of the Arctic plant said they had "pulled up" on Wednesday and their output today would be far short of the requirements. He has a number of butchers and meat dealers on his list, and unless he can get ice from some other source is unable to say how he will be able to take care of his customers.

The ice plant in Monessen was shut down for a period on Wednesday owing to hot bearings in the machinery, but this difficulty has been remedied and the plant is now running. However, the delay has materially reduced to the utmost to take care of its own customers.

The ice situation throughout the country is serious. The extreme hot weather of the past few days has about exhausted stocks and unless there is sudden change in temperature there is likely to be great loss in spoiled foodstuffs.

If we could only impound some of this summer heat until next winter, it would go a long way toward the conservation of fuel in the zero days.

Well we could utilize that ice gorge which filled the fifth and sixth poets last winter.

Charleroi Boy Tells Of Life Near Front

The Mail is in receipt of a letter, we have observed up to date, I feel from Louis W. Bertram of Company A, 110th Infantry, now in France, the "big" end about three o'clock in the morning dated the 3rd of July, in which he says:

To the Mail and its Readers—Our remainder of France on about one short time in the "Land of the Lilly", France—or nineteen cents of regular has been quite a busy one and full of money. Just imagine a bunch of eye opening surprises to a red blooded Yankee youth, always accustomed to the luxuries which I am forced to believe exist in the land of the stars and stripes and no other.

You ask me what I mean by luxury. Very well, here you are: Any thing that looks like a railroad coach to ride in, an army cot to sleep on, a wooden shack to take your meals in, or two letters per week from the home town.

Our chief mode of travel since our arrival on foreign soil, almost two months ago, has been side-door Pullman. It is about one-third the size of a Pennsy box car or a motor truck, which causes such an opening to shaken in one's stomach that he has sufficient space for four or five turkey dinners—and we do not get the last, as you well know.

I was somewhat of a rover when in the States, but must admit that in side of two months I have lived in a greater variety of villages, and cheated more peaceful cattle out of their houses (by living in their most comfortable stables) than I ever did "Over There" and the end is not yet so it seems: as my present house is out in the open with a puppy tent for shelter and all the acres of the adjoining fields as my backyard. Truly from the rapidity of movement.

TWO TEACHERS RESIGN POSITIONS

Superintendent Pollock of the Charleroi public schools, has received the resignations of two teachers who were elected last spring for the ensuing term, but who have decided to give up teaching for the present at least. Those who tendered their resignation were Miss Margaret McDermott, who taught Room No. 4 in the Ninth street building last year, who has taken position in the office of the Pittsburgh Steel company, and Miss Ruby Charles who taught room No. 5 in the Crest avenue building, who will remain at home on account of the illness of her mother.

The loss of prisoners may be a staggering blow to the Germans, but the Allied countries will be pleased to learn just how much the Crown Prince's army has been depleted by this capture.

Anyhow, the Germans have shown there are other things they can do besides fighting—they are some sprinters, when the occasion requires.

BOYS COLLECT 1,000 VOLUMES

Through the persistent and untiring efforts of Paul High and Louis Rosenbloom have collected over 1,000 books from the citizens of Charleroi and vicinity within the past few weeks which have been boxed and sent to the Carnegie Library at Pittsburgh, to be sent to the various military cantonments throughout the country.

An appeal for books was made last spring for the libraries located in the different cantonments, and the local boys determined to do at least a portion of their "bit" by soliciting in the local community for books, to be utilized for this purpose. It was quite a job to collect such a large number, but it was accomplished by persistent work for which the boys deserve the highest credit. Mrs. William High looked after the packing and shipping of the books to the Carnegie Library at Pittsburgh.

Coyle Theatre Monday Douglas Fairbanks in his latest Artcraft picture, "SAY YOUNG FELLOW"

Flags of Our Allies Belgian, French, Italian, English and Greek Flags in many sizes and qualities

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MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

COMMISSIONERS WANT SEVERAL CHANGES MADE IN STATE LAWS

AN AIRPLANE PASSES OVER TOWN AT NOON

An airplane, going in an northeasterly direction, passed over Charleroi at noon today. The plane was quite low as it passed over town and people were enabled to get a good view of the machine.

WILL LEAVE TOMORROW

22 Draftees From Fifth District Will Go To Camp Wadsworth

OTHER CALLS "ALMOST READY"

Twenty-two selectives from the Fifth district will report at room No. 205, post office building, Donora, this evening at 7 o'clock to receive preliminary instructions for their trip to camp. After receiving these instructions the men will be released to go to their homes, with instructions to report in Donora in time to take the 10:30 train Friday, August 8, for Camp Wadsworth, Sparta, S. C.

The registration board of the Fifth District received two calls from State Draft headquarters at Harrisburg on Wednesday, the first for 892 colored selectives, to entrain during the five-day period beginning August 22, and for 10,000 selectives to entrain during the five-day period beginning August 26. Both of these contingents will go to Camp Lee, Va. The local board will issue its call just as soon as the quota for the district is announced, which is apt to come at any time now.

The local board has also been advised by the authorities to be prepared to make a large registration of the man power of the district, when the new draft bill shall have become a law. The authorities at Washington are pushing the matter as fast as possible and it is hoped to have the measure enacted into a law to make the registration early in September.

MONONGAHELA MAN IN MARINE CASUALTIES

Gunnery Sergeant Walter Hillman, aged 24 years, of Park avenue, Monongahela, was mentioned in the casualties on Wednesday and his father Nelson Hillman, was notified of the fact by the war department yesterday. Young Hillman enlisted in the Marines last August, and has made rapid promotion since that time. He was home on a furlough two months ago, since which time his parents had not heard from until notified of his being wounded.

Tax on Money at Interest, Classification and State Aid for Bridges

WANT CO. CORONER ABOLISHED

Important resolutions were adopted by the State Convention of County Commissioners in session at Pittsburgh on Wednesday with reference to certain features of taxation as follows: Resolved, That it is the State Convention recommend the drafting of a bill and its presentation to the next session of the legislature, requiring all national banks, state banks, private banks, partnerships, trust and deposit companies, who issue certificates of deposit, bearing interest annually or semi-annually to present to the county commissioners of the respective counties in the month of December of each year an alphabetical list of all the holders of certificates of deposit, with their addresses, who have received interest or are entitled to receive interest upon said certificates.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association that it shall place itself upon record for the necessary legislation providing a rigid classification for counties and we suggest the association authorize the legislative committee to draft an act and present the same at the next session of the legislature for that purpose.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this association, that the state should build and maintain on state aid highways and to pay at least one-half of all new bridges built on state aid roads and we also suggest the association authorities the legislative committee to draft a bill or bills for the purpose and introduce them in the next session of the legislature.

A resolution was also unanimously passed urging the abolishment of the office of county coroner and the passage of a bill by the state legislature authorizing the district attorney to appoint one or more physicians in each county to act in the place of the county coroners.

Knitting Auxiliary Meeting St. Jerome's Knitting Auxiliary will meet this evening at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Mary Rylands at the Hotel Wellington. Mrs. C. J. Mogan, President. 55-41

We may think our casualty list is a long one, but we have no doubt the German losses are far in excess of ours. Every American boy that "went west" was more than paid for in the number of Huns who traveled in the same direction.

The following stores will close at 5 o'clock p. m. every evening except Monday and Saturday. J. W. Berryman Son. Eugene Fau. Since which time his parents had not heard from until notified of his being wounded. 54-42

Majestic Theatre Today Theda Bara in "The Clemenceau Case" Also PATHE NEWS and COMEDY Tomorrow Madam Petrova in "Tempered Steel"

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NEW DRAFT BILL

When Congress reconvenes, or rather resumes, business on the 26th of August, one of the first items to receive its consideration will be the new draft bill. This bill proposes to put all young men from 18 years up to the more mature years of 45 in the new draft, which Gen. Crowder wants to have enacted. The provisions may be applicable at once. He wants the first registration day on the 5th of September, as he says the men in Class I will be almost exhausted by the first of September, and if we are to keep up the flow of armies overseas we must have the men to put in them.

It is generally conceded that the outcome of the war is going to be a question of man power. The army with the largest reserves is going to win, and that then lies may have that superiority is the reason for the new draft bill. Some people may think that it will take young men too immature to bear the burdens of war, but when we refer to the records of the Civil War we find that 1,151,483 boys of that age had enlisted in the Union army, and fought in many campaigns. Moreover, they fought under conditions which were particularly severe and without the many discoveries of medical science known today being available for their comfort and benefit. True they did not have to face liquid fire and gas, for both sides in the civil war fought under humane methods, but many men who would otherwise have been saved lost their lives from wounds which in these days would have been readily cured.

The United States war authorities realize that man power is the essential feature in the winning of the war, and that this country must furnish the necessary contingents to give that numerical superiority to the allied armies which will make them available. Of course there will be millions of men between the ages named who will not be available for military service, but the government figures there will be sufficient to give it the number of men desired.

GOVERNMENT AID

The suggestion made before the State Convention of County Commissioners, now being held in Pittsburgh that the government assist in the repair and upkeep of mail roads as well as highways now largely used by motor trains, sounds like a good one.

Good roads are a war necessity, and those already constructed in the United States, particularly the National Pike and the Lincoln Highway, have made it possible for the government to transport thousands of trucks under their own power, loaded with thousands of tons of supplies, from the point of manufacture to eastern seaports, where they have been placed on transports bound for service in France. These trucks, heavily loaded have caused a great deal of wear and tear on the improved roads of the country, as would be only natural. The trains which used them were not isolated units, but a steady stream of trucks from the west to the east, traveling in large numbers every day and making excellent time because the conditions of the road were such as to make speed possible.

Moreover, sending these trucks by the overland route saved the railroad companies from handling a class of freight which would have only added to the congestion at a time when it was almost impossible to move anything. As the motor trucks were absolutely necessary to the movements of the American army in France it was absolutely necessary that they be delivered to eastern seaports without delay. This was made possible by the government authorities could with some of the revenues for the repair of some of the principal highways of the nation and not put all the burden on localities through which the roads happen to run.

STILL GOING AHEAD

Reports indicate that the Germans are stiffening their lines along the Vesle river, with a possibility of stabilizing them for the time being back of the Aisne. The Allied armies, however, have not caused to batter the Huns from every angle and while

the Boche may be able to hold for a time on his new line, it is doubtful if he will be permitted to remain in that vicinity very long. With the demand morale of the Allies, and their continued increase from day to day, numbers will give them confidence that they will win for the Germans. Some writers are of the opinion that German effect remained as when water main at the 21st of March, when it began the great offensive against the British.

What is the state of affairs? It is certain that no successful offensive has been made to date. The first one, which was the first and last one was a miserable failure. Just when the German was poised to make a decisive blow, he was stopped almost dead in his tracks. He gained a little bit of ground, but immediately lost it when the Allies began their counter-offensive. If the Germans are to remain on the defensive from now on the difficulties of their army will be largely back home, where the people are not only discouraged and downhearted, but are muttering against their government, which promised them peace months ago. Another winter in the trenches is not an alluring prospect to the army or the people at home.

THE SERVICE FLAG

Under the terms of a bill introduced by Congressman Clifton N. McArthur of Oregon the national service flag, familiar throughout the country, is given official recognition as such. Any organization is entitled to display the flag with a blue star for each of its members who is serving, or has served in our military forces, a silver star for each member who has been wounded or captured, and a gold star for each member who has been killed or died from the effects of wounds or disease. Relatives of soldiers may also display the flag and wear the national service badge, similar in design to the flag, which is also given official recognition in Mr. McArthur's bill. Unauthorized use of the flag or badge is to be punished by a fine or imprisonment.

PUT 'EM TO WORK

Congressman Sherman E. Burroughs of New Hampshire stands ready to support any legislation having for its object the putting to work of the large numbers of alien enemies and disloyal American citizens interned in this country. Mr. Burroughs and the people of his district take the position that the obligation of such persons to the country of their chosen residence does not cease with their internment, and in the present crisis they should be compelled to render aid. The Committee on Public Safety of New Hampshire has taken up the matter and urged upon their delegation in Congress the necessity for action.

The destruction of the hospital ship 'Varilda' by a German U-boat may have been one method of the Germans working out their spite on the allies because of Hun reverses along the Marne. In the past Germans have always followed a failure in any part of their campaign by some new outrage, so that the sinking of this hospital ship causes no surprise; rather that the Hun is capable of any outrage that would result in the death of non-combatants.

High German military authority describes the licking given to the Huns on the Marne as "strategic withdrawals." Of course nothing was said of the terrific effect of the allied smashes and which started the Hun on the way to Berlin. The drive of the 15th was started by Ludendorff, but the never got a chance to finish—the allied armies looked after that part of the campaign.

The Crown Prince of Germany having "got his," it would not be surprising if the Bavarian Crown Prince, who commands the German army in front of the British line, would get a dose of the same medicine. The Britons have had quite a rest since the last offensive against them, and with ranks well filled ought to give the Boches a hot time.

Just when the German army will make its stand is a question of some doubt to allied armies, but whatever it may be a notice will be promptly served on its leaders by the allied armies to keep on the move.

The Marne salient is a thing of the past. The curve didn't suit Uncle Sam's boys, so they straightened it out.

As the Germans failed to burn Soissons there must have been something wrong with their schedule. It is not possible they ever intended the town to fall into the hands of the Allies intact, particularly when so many smaller towns have been destroyed.

Save Food

120 million Allies must eat

United States Food Administration

LEGAL POINT OF IMPORTANCE

"Delusions" Sufficient to Cause the Breaking of a Will Must Be Along a Certain Line.

The New York Law Journal tells of two cases recently decided which are of some interest upon the contention quite frequently made that testators were victims of "insane delusions," when, in fact, they had merely imbibed false impressions or were strongly prejudiced or eccentric in their modes of thought. In re Alexander's estate in the supreme court of Pennsylvania, it was laid down that a "delusion" of a testator, such as will invalidate a will, must be "an insane belief or a mere figment of imagination—a belief in the existence of something which does not exist and which no rational person, in the absence of evidence, would believe to exist." It was further laid down that the burden is on a party relying on the existence of a delusion to invalidate a will to prove that such delusion controlled the testator's volition and destroyed his freedom of action in disposing of his estate. The evidence was held insufficient to show that the will was executed in consequence of an insane delusion on the part of the testator, the petitioner's father, though the testator practically disinherited her and may have been mistaken in his judgment that she had been guilty of unnatural conduct toward him and her mother.

Made an Anthem of It

It is pleasant to hear that the stern business of drilling has its light side, as well as most other things. In a certain territorial regiment, I was told, not many miles from London, one of the newest recruits was awaiting his turn on parade to be inspected. Presently to him came the youthful officer in charge. He has what is known as the varsity accent, and by those who do not know it outside the stage it may easily be mistaken for facetiousness.

The "nut" officer stooped and inspected. Then: "Ha, ha, no shave," he said. "He, he, no razor," replied the new recruit blithely, thinking that he had met a sociable soul with a pleasant way of reprimanding. The result was, of course, disastrous to the recruit. But now, when the regiment is marching and "Tipperary" is getting a little overdone, the monotony is varied by the front section suddenly calling out in full-throated unison: "Ha, ha, no shave," which is instantly replied to from the back with a stentorian roar of "He, he, no razor!"—London Daily Mirror.

Tries on Shoe: Breaks Ribs

When John Bartlow went into William Gritter's shoe store here he found a pair he liked, but they fitted a little tight, and he could not get into one.

Gritter seated himself on a low chair, took hold of an upper and bade his customer "push hard." He did, and Gritter's hold slipped, the heel of the new shoe striking him a hard blow over the heart.

When the doctor arrived he declared that Gritter had suffered three broken ribs and possibly other internal injuries, and directed him to go to bed.—Tribune (Pa.) Dispatch Philadelphia Record.

Clair, like most small boys, was much interested in anything that took place. At this particular time his grandfather happened to be tending his bees. After being repeatedly told that he would get stung if he didn't stand back, one of the guests said: "Don't you know you'll get stung if you are not careful?" He said: "Aw, I ain't afraid. They know me."

No Mistaking His Friend

Smith was taking his friend out for a drive. The car had the jumps. It balked and bucked and bounced along unsteadily, greatly to the friend's discomfort. They turned into a park boulevard and the friend noted a sign at the side of the road. "Smith, you better not drive on this road," said the friend. "Why?" asked Smith. "Well, that sign says 'Pleasure cars only.'"

FOUGHT TO DEATH OVER PIG

Possession of Porker the Cause of Sharp Skirmish Between Germans and French.

Even pigs figure sometimes in the news from the front and, as might be expected, in somewhat of a comical light. But, says a Paris dispatch, they have caused a tragedy also. One pig was the cause of a battle in which 30 Germans were killed and another was made to pose as a corpse to save him from the enemy.

In Ban-de-Sapt, north of Saint Die, both French and Germans from their trenches spied out a fine fat porker in a pen, just between the two lines. Both formed parties to go out and capture the porcine delicacy, but the French reached there first. They fastened a rope about the animal's hind legs and dragged him back to their trenches with the Germans close behind.

So heated did the controversy over the pig become that it finally developed into a night battle in which the Germans were beaten, losing, besides the 30 dead, a number of wounded.

The other pig had just been killed by a farmer in Flanders when it was reported that the Germans, always eager for such tidbits as fresh pork, were near at hand. Determined to save his property, the quick-witted Belgian took the carcass to his room, tucked it in his bed, placed candles over the sheeted form and was praying fervently when a German soldier entered the room. The soldier tiptoed out when he discovered that he had come upon a chamber of death.

The Nose Dive

"The nose dive is a dangerous maneuver," says an aviation teacher. The nose dive is not only dangerous in aviation, but in julepation as well. A nose dive into a julep is exhilarating, but at last it makes the nose look like a premium strawberry.—Houston Post.

Those Dear Girls

Neil—"I understand May Cutting remarked that I looked so much like Miss Hamley-Ritch. Isn't that awful?" Belle—"Yes, she's always knocking Miss Hamley-Ritch, because she's jealous of her."

A Bit Mixed

Even nature occasionally gets things jumbled. A Jersey City magistrate recently found it necessary to send a woman to jail for highway robbery, and a man to the detention house as a common scold.

Counter Question

She—"How do I know you are not marrying me for my money?" He—"If it comes to that, how do I know you are not marrying me to reform me?"—Boston Transcript.

Bagged

Into the bottom of a new traveling bag is folded a water-tight union suit so that a person can use the affair as a life preserver, the bag being buoyant enough to hold him up in water.

Two Ways of Looking at It

"I have heard," said Uncle Eben, "dat a rolling stone gathers no moss, but dat's no 'cuse foh keepin' still. A lawn mower dat ain't rollin' don't cut no grass."

Destructive Wrought by Rats

Destructive rats in Britain are estimated to have destroyed food valued at about two hundred million dollars, or about five dollars' worth of food per head of the population.

Natural Handicap

All of us get to talk all they want to, but few are able to say all they want to.—Exchange.

Daily Thought

Where there is no hope there can be no endeavor.—Samuel Johnson.

MEDICAL SCIENCE AND WAR

Vast Advances of Recent Years Have Greatly Reduced the Mortality.

While the war in Europe is by far the greatest in the history of the world and the destruction of life cannot fail to be tremendous, there is satisfaction in considering that, on account of the vast advances that have been made in medical and surgical science in recent years, the percentage of loss will be greatly reduced.

In the Franco-Prussian war the surgeons looked upon the intention of wounds as a matter of course. They regarded the presence of the attendant as a necessity, and as long as the pus was what was known as "laudable" they were satisfied with the condition of the patient. Other patients developed another form of pus, streptococcal, which caused the doctors of those days gravely to shake their heads and prepare for the death of the patient. Even the best hospitals were not properly ventilated and were filled with the foul odors emanating from infected wounds and gangrene. All this was considered unavoidable. At that time suppuration and kindred complications in wounded men were regarded as of spontaneous origin, although the researches of Pasteur had already pointed the way to a general understanding of germs. When at length purulent infection was found to be the result of germs disseminated by the air, carbolic acid was employed at first for that purpose, and the attendant's success in treating surgical injuries and in performing operations where carbonized dressings were used and the air was subjected to a carbolic acid spray, caused the most profound amazement.—Scientific American.

SPHERE FOR WOMAN DOCTOR

Writer's Opinion Is That She Has Properly Taken the Place That Is Her Right.

They tell us now that we are the fighting sex. Why have we been so long? Ardent, beautiful, sweet as a nut, with nut-brown eyes under lids like pointed white flames, with her rippling wing of hair in the same sweet, hot tones, with her tall grace and grave glance and white, expert, sensitive hands—the scientist's hands which take account of a hair—why is she here—this woman—bending over her tubes and flasks and microscope instead of in a drawing room, with bowls of white hyacinths at her elbow? Why, within sixty years after medicine is open to women, are 10,000 practicing in this country alone? Is it because we are tired of ignorance in pity?

If there were no other field for woman doctors, unmarried mothers would make a place in the world for them. If there is any psychology of sex, or sex antagonism, or sisterhood among women, or any of the other things we talk of so gaily in our search to get at the truth about men and women, surely it is easier to look into a woman's eyes than into a man's when you hear that you are to undertake motherhood outside the plan society has for this service to it.

"I am a woman myself and I know what you bear"—the eyes of the woman doctor answer to those others which meet hers in their startled comprehension.—The Metropolitan.

Early History of Pittsburgh

The investment of all there was of Pittsburgh at the time by the victorious army of General Forbes was completed November 25, 1758, the day following the blowing up of Fort Duquesne by the French and the flight of them and their Indian allies. The small and scattered forces commanded by the dying General Forbes, who had insisted on being brought on for the celebration of the fall of the fort, assembled at the "meeting of the waters," one strong detachment under General Armstrong having come down from Kittanning by hasty marching, at which place they had fought a severe battle with the Indians, the general being later honored by having the county named for him of which Kittanning is the county seat.

Conforming to the Censorship

The censors on the other side seem to be as particular about information that a correspondent sends to his wife as about the news that he carries in his paper, evidently having faith in the old tradition that whatever is told to a wife might as well be screamed aloud in the market place. It is related that Irvin S. Cobb writes to Mrs. Cobb: "I am here at a town in Germany. From here I am going to another place. I can't tell you where, because then you wouldn't get the letter."—Kansas City Star.

The Dont-Snow Wedding

John G. Dent, a Santa Rosa merchant, and his wife don't like it because their son, Prince Albert Dont, plumber in the same city, went to San Rafael with Miss Lillian Snow of Sebastopol and got married without letting them know it. It is not that they don't ever object to their son taking into himself a wife, but they claim that their son don't know what he is talking about when he gave his age as twenty-one.—San Francisco Chronicle.

War Songs

King George's troops march well to the Tipperary song, but it is possible that the sultan's forces are hiking along to the tune "Turkey in the Straw."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Opening Day

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Belle Vernon Bathing Beach

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OUR SAVED FOOD FED THE ALLIES

Food Administrator Writes President America Conserved 141,000,000 Bushels Wheat.

CREDIT DUE TO WOMEN.

Meat and Fat Shipments Increased by \$44,600,000 Pounds.

Conservation measures applied by the American people enabled the United States to ship to the Allied powers and to our own forces overseas 141,000,000 bushels of wheat and \$44,600,000 pounds of meat during the past year, valued in all at \$1,400,000,000. This was accomplished in the face of a serious food shortage in this country, bespeaking the wholeheartedness and patriotism with which the American people have met the food crisis abroad.

Food Administrator Hoover, in a letter to President Wilson, explains how the situation was met. The voluntary conservation program fostered by the Food Administration enabled the piling up of the millions of bushels of wheat during 1917-18 and the shipment of meat during 1917-18.

The total value of all food shipments to Allied destinations amounted to \$1,400,000,000, all this food being bought through or in collaboration with the Food Administration. These figures are all based on official reports and represent food exports for the harvest year that closed June 30, 1918.

The shipments of meats and fats (including meat products, dairy products, vegetable oils, etc.) to Allied destinations were as follows:

Fiscal year 1916-17.....2,160,500,000 lbs.
Fiscal year 1917-18.....3,011,100,000 lbs.

Increase.....\$44,600,000 lbs.

Our slaughterable animals at the beginning of the last fiscal year were not appreciably larger than the year before and particularly in hogs; they were probably less. The increase in shipments is due to conservation and the extra weight of animals added by our farmers.

The full effect of these efforts began to bear their best results in the last half of the fiscal year, when the exports to the Allies were 2,133,100,000 pounds, as against 1,266,500,000 pounds in the same period of the year before. This compares with an average of 801,000,000 pounds of total exports for the same half years in the three-year pre-war period.

In cereals and cereal products reduced to terms of cereal bushels our shipments to Allied destinations have been:

Fiscal year 1916-17.....259,900,000 bushels
Fiscal year 1917-18.....340,800,000 bushels

Increase.....80,900,000 bushels

Of these cereals our shipments of the prime breadstuffs in the fiscal year 1917-18 to Allied destinations were: Wheat 131,000,000 bushels and of rye 13,000,000 bushels, a total of 144,000,000 bushels.

The exports to Allied destinations during the fiscal year 1916-17 were: Wheat 125,100,000 bushels and rye 2,300,000 bushels, a total of 127,400,000 bushels. In addition some 10,000,000 bushels of 1917 wheat are now in port for Allied destinations or en route thereto. The total shipments to Allied countries from our last harvest of wheat will be therefore, about 141,000,000 bushels, or a total of 154,900,000 bushels of prime breadstuffs. In addition to this we have shipped some 10,000,000 bushels to neutrals dependent upon us, and we have received some imports from other quarters.

"This accomplishment of our people in this matter stands out even more clearly if we bear in mind that we had available in the fiscal year 1916-17 from net carry-over and as surplus over our normal consumption about 200,000,000 bushels of wheat which we were able to export that year without trenching on our home loaf," Mr. Hoover said. "This last year, however, owing to the large failure of the 1917 wheat crop, we had available from net carry-over and production and imports only just about our normal consumption. Therefore our wheat shipments to Allied destinations represent approximately savings from our own wheat bread."

"These figures, however, do not fully convey the volume of the effort and sacrifice made during the past year by the whole American people. Despite the magnificent effort of our agricultural population in planting a much increased acreage in 1917, not only was there a very large failure in wheat, but also the corn failed to mature properly, and our corn is our dominant crop. "I am sure," Mr. Hoover wrote in concluding his report, "that all the millions of our people, agricultural as well as urban, who have contributed to these results should feel a very definite satisfaction that in a year of universal food shortages in the northern hemisphere all of those people joined together against Germany have come through into sight of the coming harvest not only with wealth and strength fully maintained, but with only temporary periods of hardship."

"It is difficult to distinguish between various sections of our people—the homes, public eating places, food trades, urban or agricultural populations—in assessing credit for these results, but no one will deny the dominant part of the American women."

A boarder is a man who is more interested in getting his bite than in giving his bit.

Things Injurious to Fish.

The gaur skeletons of trees which are so conspicuous in the "coke regions" show the effects of sulphurous gases on vegetation, and the influence of mine water on fish life may be readily imagined. The heavy sediment covers up the gravelly spawning beds, and suffocates the eggs thus retarding injury on the fishes at the most vulnerable point. The sawmill is the "dearest foe" of nature lovers. Its inevitable saw has well-nigh destroyed our forests, and not content with the desolation it has produced in this way on land, it is running our lakes and rivers by sawdust.

Human Development.

Man has been on the earth perhaps some twenty odd thousand years, and it is only the last three thousand that we are much concerned with. To suppose that a modern Englishman must necessarily be at a higher stage of mental development than an ancient Greek is almost the same mistake as to argue that Browning must be a better poet than Wordsworth because he came later. If the soul, or the brain, of man is developing, it is not developing as fast or so steadily as all that.—Gilbert Murray in the Century Magazine.

Best to Face Facts in Life.

There are very few of us who find life all that we pictured it in our youth. Often it proves very hard for us, because we insist upon idealizing it instead of taking it as it is. We must not refuse to face facts. It would be very satisfying and beautiful, perhaps, if life could be what we want it. But the truth is that we cannot take it and make it over to our own ends. However, we can take ourselves in hand and fit ourselves to life, if we will.—Exchange.

Use of Peltory in History.

In using peltory we walk backward in history. In what we moderns call the early history of Europe much that was lovely was done with peltory. And further back, when artificial heat was not known, when men and women lived in damp huts or palaces, when life was crude and raw and self-sacrificing in a way that we may never know, peltory was the true means of covering the body and making one's self not only beautiful, but comfortable.

"Soul of Wit."

Someone has said that "brevity is the soul of wit." It is, and in these strenuous times it would seem a very good idea to apply the same maxim to other channels of conversation. The man or woman who can handle an important subject briefly is sure of a royal welcome wherever he or she seeks an audience.

Women Live Longer Than Men.

Records show that more women live to be centenarians than men. When the census of the United States was taken in 1900, it was found that 6,298 persons between the ages of ninety-five and ninety-nine were living, and of this number 3,336 were women.

His System.

Burrows—"Thanks for the \$5, old chap—but what is this pamphlet you've handed me?" Wyse—"I always give that with a loan—it tells how to strengthen the memory."—Boston Transcript.

Phosphate Industry of Tunisia.

Since the discovery of phosphate deposits in Tunisia in 1880 the industry has developed to such an extent that two of the largest phosphate mines in the world are now producing near the Algerian frontier.

Lost by Freaks.

Found in Street Cars—Bongheated man's umbrella, white child's mitt, black lady's veil and many other articles. London Street Railway Company.—Advertisement in the London (Ont.) Free Press.

Unkind Thrust.

Miss Passay—"Children nowadays do not pay the proper respect to age." Miss Pert—"And I suppose that annoys you a great deal."—Boston Transcript.

Gospel Motorwagon.

A gospel motorwagon was constructed in 1896 for a New York pastor, in which he preached. It had capacity for ten singers and a folding organ.—Chevrolet Review.

Earliest Guide Book.

The earliest guide book printed in English is "Instructions for Foraine Travel," published in 1642 by James Howell, a famous traveler of that day.

She Knew Him.

"You won't object if I go on with my knitting while we talk, will you, Mr. Boreleigh? I always think that one should keep one's mind occupied."

Wisdom Comes With Age.

A young man is apt to believe that things just happen. His father knows that everything that happens is some sort of a natural result.—E. W. Howe.

Optimistic Thought.

The greatest scholars are not always the wisest.

CONCRETE AND SEA WATER

Interesting Experiments Made to Determine the Action of Liquid and Frost on Material.

One of the largest construction companies in this country is making experiments to determine what is the action of sea water and frost upon concrete. According to Science Constructor, the company made 24 columns, each 16 feet long and 18 inches square, reinforced with iron bars near their corners and in January, 1909, immersed them in the water at the Boston Navy yard. At high tide the water almost entirely covers them, but at low tide they are completely exposed. Thus in cold weather the columns are alternately thawed and frozen, as the tide rises and falls. The columns are made with various qualities of concrete—mixed dry, plastic, and very wet—and also with different quantities of cement. Experts are studying the effects of the addition of waterproofing materials; clay and other substances are added from time to time, and the effect is observed. Many years must elapse before it will be possible to tell with certainty which kind of concrete is most permanent. When last examined many of the columns were virtually unaffected; but others were badly eroded. The columns that contain the largest proportion of cement mixed wet have so far shown the least wear. Of two columns made with one part of cement to one of sand and two of stone, the one mixed dry was badly eroded over its entire length, whereas the other, which was mixed very wet, was only slightly pitted. The experiments, it is expected, will throw much light upon a problem that has long perplexed construction engineers.—Youth's Companion.

BROUGHT TO SINGLE SHEET

War's Effect on European Newspapers is Manifest in the Size of the Issues.

No one can have failed to observe how greatly the size of his daily paper has dwindled, how, in fact, everything which entails the consumption of paper exhibits a strict economy. This is owing to the shortage of paper due to the war, and it is quite possible that if the war lasts for any considerable time practically all English daily papers will consist of a single sheet. Already this step has been necessitated in France.

Some 15,000 tons of news and white paper in reel made from wood pulp are consumed each week in this country. Already the consumption has risen 25 per cent owing to the abnormal demand for war news—it would certainly have been greater were it not for the curtailment in size. Most of the paper used in England—about 11,500 tons—is manufactured in this country, but about 2,600 tons comes each week from the continent and 900 tons from Newfoundland.

The former source has already completely dried up, the immediate result being to send up the price of paper which before the outbreak of the war was about one penny a pound to 1½ pence. And it will probably rise much higher.—English Exchange.

Helpfulness Sometimes Resented.

Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson's "Passing of the Third Floor Back" made a deep and lasting impression on Kansas City. It stimulates a fine desire to be more charitable and kindly. "We remember," writes Franklin P. Adams of New York, "the morning after seeing 'The Passing of the Third Floor Back,' we felt more than usually unworthy, and spiritual reform was working into our calloused heart. A young woman, carrying an achingly heavy suitcase was walking up the subway stairs. 'Let me help you,' we said. 'Don't touch that!' she cried, as one about to bite. 'If you don't stop annoying me, I'll have you arrested.' So, fearing the headline, 'Bard Gets Jail Term for Mashing,' we ran away, like the coward we were."—Kansas City Star.

Birds Fly From Battle.

One of the war correspondents has noted the complete absence of birds from the battlefields of northern France and the consequent profusion of spiders and other cognate crawling things. Birds always desert scenes of heavy gunfire; and, what is more, they often do not return for many years. All birds left the theater of war in South Africa, and it is only now—14 years later—that they are returning. Meanwhile South Africa has suffered from a vexatious plague of ground insects—"tecks," as they call them over there. It is not supposed that the African birds left the country, but that they merely retired to some remote and peaceful part of the veldt.

Distances Near Suez.

Once again the makers of maps are busy. Most Englishmen had a vague idea that the Egyptian frontier ends with the Suez canal. That is not the case. From the map you will perceive that the British occupation extends across the very arid Sinai peninsula; the desert that cost the Children of Israel 40 years to cross!—London Chronicle.

Make Films of Skim Milk.

The menace of a "film famine" which because of the European war threaten to injure the American moving picture industry, has been banished. Moving picture film is being made out of skimmed milk. The first roll of practical skimmed-milk film was shown in the exhibit of the Illinois state food commissioner at the national dairy show.



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We have just 14 New Summer Coats left and these coats will be sold from one-fourth to one-half their original price. It will pay you to buy one of these coats for early fall wear

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5 New Summer Coats	15.00

Berryman's

This store will close at 5 o'clock except Monday and Saturday during August

Federal Fuel Administration
For Pittsburgh District
Chamber of Commerce Building Pitts-
burg, Pa.
D. W. Kuhn, Chairman

July 31, 1918
To All Wagon Mine Operators in
Washington County.

The United States Fuel Adminis-
tration for the Pittsburgh District
hereby directs and requires each Wa-
gon Mine Coal Operator within
Washington County to Register with
Mr. Harry B. Duncan, Chairman of
the United States Fuel Adminis-
tration for the County of Washington,
Pa., at which place blanks can be secured for this
purpose.

All questions on the Registration
Blanks must receive their proper
answers. These blanks must be filled
out in triplicate—the original and
duplicate being left with the above
named chairman; the triplicate re-
tained by the coal operator.

It is further directed and requir-
ed that each wagon mine operator
file on and after August 1st, a week-
ly report with the above named
Chairman, report in duplicate show-
ing the coal produced and delivered or
loaded for the prior week.

This Order to be complied with
without delay and due notice is here-
by given to such operators by this
publication. Such registration, to op-
erate legally, must be in effect not
later than August 15th.

All retail coal-dealers or distribu-
tors of coal to domestic consumers in
Washington County are requested to
send their names and addresses to

the Washington County Chairman of
the Fuel Administration.
Very truly yours,
D. W. Kuhn.

U. S. Fuel Administrator, Pittsburgh
District
By J. T. Miller (Signed)

Notice

Proposals will be received by the
Borough Clerk of Charleroi, Pa., for
grading, curbing and paving with
stone and paving block, also bid on
using concrete curb and gutter that
portion of Lookout avenue lying be-
tween Sixth and Seventh streets and
complete the paving on Lookout ave-
nue between Fourth and Fifth
streets. The Borough will furnish
the paving block. A certified check
of \$250 must accompany the bid.
All bids to be in possession of the
Borough Clerk on or before Wednes-
day, August 21st, at 5 o'clock.
Council reserves the right to reject
any or all bids.

Plans and specifications may be
seen at the Borough Clerk's office.
Ira L. Nickeson,
Borough Clerk,
Charleroi, Pa., Aug. 8, 1918.

Aug 8-10-13-15
The Kaiser's pet Prussian Guards,
which never surrender, got mixed up
with the Rainbows and what the boys
from the States did to the Huns was
as varied as the colors they represent.
Incidentally, while the Guards did not
surrender, they did not go back. They
stayed where they were and there
they will remain.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Allman are at
Camp Merritt, visiting with their son
Lester a member of the Seventh Di-
vision who expects to leave in a short
time for overseas duty.

The Misses Roalyn and Josephine
Scott of Tyrone who have been visiting
with Mrs. D. E. Retrick have gone
to visit with friends in Dunbar.

Mr and Mrs Phillip Snow and
grandchildren of Washington avenue
left Monday morning for a week's
camping and fishing trip which will
be spent along the Monongahela near
Point Marion.

Mrs. Emma Dawson left Thursday
for the Bowers Cottage on the Cheat
river near Morgantown where she will
spend several weeks.

Misses Margaret Snyder and Elsie
Fower have returned to their homes
in Sharpsburg after spending a week
with Mrs. Edward Sech of Crest
avenue.

Mrs. Leo Schwaed and son Joseph
left Wednesday to spend a week with
her sister Mrs. Joseph Cross in Kane,
Pa.

Women may be able to run
yachts, but our fresh water marines
have no fear they will ever "deck-
anceer" on any of our coal packets,
where they would be compelled to
wrestle with hawsers two inches thick.

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Mothers who value their own comfort and the
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ELKS PREPARE FOR STATE CONVENTION

The men of the antlers throughout
Pennsylvania are looking forward
to the annual convention of the Penn-
sylvania State Association, B. P.
O. Elks to be held in York the week
of August 26-30 and for which all ar-
rangements have been made by the
York lodge. The convention promises
to be one of the most important
in the history of the association, a
number of matters of importance to
Elkdom being scheduled to be taken
up.

The city of York is splendidly lo-
cated for the convention, being of
easy access by rail from all points
of the state. It is well supplied with
hotel accommodations whose rates
are always attractive and on this
occasion special pains will be taken
to make all who come comfortable
and a minimum rate.

The various responsibilities for the
coming convention have been placed
in competent hands by York Lodge
and the chairman of the several com-
mittees are all veterans in the
handling of conventions for which
the city has been noted.

A fine program has been outlined
for the convention, beginning Mon-
day evening at 8:30 with a reception
and get-together supper at the Colo-
nial Hotel. This will be followed by
a special entertainment at 8:30,
while the succeeding days of the con-
vention will be filled with pleasure
as well as business for the delegates
and their wives. A feature of the
convention will be the parade in
which the U. S. Tank Corps from Get-
tysburg will take part.

Washington a Free Mason.

That General Washington was an ac-
tive Free Mason, in good standing is
shown by the historic statement that
"the southeast corner stone of the cap-
itol was laid September 18, 1793, by
Brother George Washington, assisted
by the worshipful masters and Free
Masons of the surrounding cities, the
military and a large number of people."

Puzzling.

"Pa." said the young hopeless. "I
can't understand you growed parents
a tall. You and mother always tell me
you ain't got no money, whenever I
want to buy candy or ice cream dan-
dies, but I take notice you don't seem
to have much trouble digging up a
nickel for me to take to Sunday
school."—Indianapolis Star.

Good Explanation.

Bob is attending the kindergarten.
One of the children asked why it was
that men take their hats off and wom-
en leave theirs on. The teacher ex-
plained that it was a custom, but that
didn't seem to satisfy Bob, who said:
"I know; because men are nice, but
girls are nicer."

Savages Fond of the Banjo.

The banjo, in its primitive form, is
found in use today by savage tribes
in equatorial Africa. It is a calabash,
or half a one, with strings of some
sort across it, and is perhaps the most
important instrument of music at can-
nibal feasts and on other joyous social
occasions.

Coal Flows Like Water.

In a great steel works at Pittsburgh
powdered coal flows like water through
1,500 feet of four-inch pipe under a
pressure of 40 pounds to the square
inch, and flows so rapidly that four
tons have been put through a 550-foot
line in five minutes.

Ancient Equipment.

Tillie Clinger says that the reason
she will have to quit her present
boarding house is because the dining
room chairs are so low she sticks her
head under the table when the bless-
ing is said.—Dallas News.

Poet's Many Qualities.

The poet must alike be polished by
an intercourse with the world as with
the studies of taste: one to whom, la-
bor is negligence, refinement a science,
and art a nature.—Disraeli.

Uncle Eben.

"If you stop to think before you
speak," said Uncle Eben, "de chances
are you'll discover you didn't have
nuffin' wuf tellin', now."

Where Reality Is Found.

Listen to words and you will hear
words; listen to voices and you will
hear reality.—Harold Goddard, in At-
lantic.

Rapidity of Wireless.

It takes but one-twentieth of a sec-
ond for a wireless signal to pass from
Washington to San Francisco.

Optimistic Thought.

A skeptic is one who knows too
much for a fool and too little for a
wise man.

SPENT TWO DAYS AT CAMP MERRITT

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Night,
and Mrs. Fred Miller returned on
Wednesday from Camp Merritt, New
Jersey, where they had gone to visit
their brother, Seward H. Night, a
member of the 4th Regiment of
the Seventh Division. They spent
two days in the camp, where Mr.
Night says is one of the finest in
the east and which it is said will be
increased to accommodate 75,000 men.

In speaking of the preparations be-
ing made by the soldiers for overseas
duty, Mr. Night said that all of the
enlisted men were required to cut
down their personal belongings to
the limit. They were provided with
one suit of clothes, two suits of un-
derwear, one overcoat and one pair
of shoes, as well as a Gillette razor
outfit. They were not permitted to
take any sweaters or comfort kits.
The First Sergeant has a mending
outfit, which is at the disposal of the
men of the Company. It is the pur-
pose of the government to send the
men over with only what is absolutely
necessary, whatever supplies may
be needed in addition to what they
already now have to be issued on the
other side. The Seventh Division
trained at Camp MacArthur, Waco,
Texas, and when the boys came north
each had three blankets. When they
arrived at Camp Merritt two of
these were taken from them.

In this same Division area number
of other Charleroi boys, not all in
the same regiment, however, among
them being Lester Allman, Dr.
George H. Smith, Frank Buchanan
and a young man named Samner. The
Division will soon depart for overseas.

THANKS CITIZENS FOR THEIR CO-OPERATION

The recent parade, held under the
auspices of the French and Belgian
Societies, to commemorate the fourth
anniversary of the declaration of war
by Germany, was unquestionably one
of the most successful events ever cele-
brated in Charleroi. This result was
made possible only by the splendid
spirit of co-operation displayed by
all concerned.

Burgess S. L. Woodward, who was
chosen Chief Marshall by the promot-
ers of the celebration, submits the fol-
lowing letter of thanks:

Charleroi, Pa., Aug. 7, 1918.

Editor Mail—

Dear Sir:—I desire, through the col-
umns of your paper, to publicly ex-
press my thanks to the officers and
members of the French and Belgian
Societies, for the honor conferred by
appointing me Chief Marshall of the
parade held last Saturday evening.
Furthermore, thanks are due my sub-
ordinates, for the splendid co-opera-
tion which made the success of the un-
dertaking possible. Especial credit is
also due the church, social and fraternal
organizations, whose hearty co-
operation on this occasion aided so
materially in the excellent results
achieved. The thanks of all are also
due our public-spirited citizen, John
D. Berryman, Esq., for his stirring
address, so much enjoyed by all for
its appropriate sentiment. I would
not forget the efficient aid rendered
by members of the Home Defense Pol-
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